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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT  
HYDROGENATED NITRILE RUBBER**

the specification of which (check one)

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is attached hereto

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was filed on **December 4, 2003** as Application  
Serial No. **10/728,029** and was amended on

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 (a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below and foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

|                  |               | PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) | Priority claimed                        |                             |
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